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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CHARLESTON, IL (May 1, 1986)--Dayton, OH native CATHY WILLIAMS has signed a national letter of intent to play women's basketball at Eastern Illinois University next fall.

Williams--a 5-9 1/2 forward--averaged 12.0 points and 15.3 rebounds as a senior co-captain last season at Jefferson High School while leading her team to a 19-5 record and a Class A Ohio sectional championship.

"Cathy will be a tremendous addition to our program," said EIU head coach Barbara Hilke. "She is an intelligent player and a great rebounder. She has worked extremely hard at her game, and we are delighted to see it culminate in a scholarship opportunity for her.

"We were most impressed with her passing game and her unselfish play. Cathy will work into our team concept extremely well and should help us with her rebounding skills. We are thrilled with her decision to attend Eastern Illinois."

A versatile athlete who played four years of basketball, softball and volleyball and ran two years of track, Williams helped lead Jefferson to second place in the District 15 championship last season. She was named her team's most valuable player twice in volleyball and once in softball.

Williams, who plans to major in pre-business, joins two other incoming EIU freshman recruits: STACY FRIEDRICH (LEBANANON-BREESE MATER DEI) and KELLY POWELL (SELLERSBURG, IN-SILVER CREEK).